

# Student Representative Council – Minutes

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2013, 5:30pm, ANUSA Boardroom

## Attendance List:

### Executive

Aleks Sladojevic- President  
Tasman Vaughan– Vice-President  
Sophia Stanley– General Secretary  
Olivia Clark – Social Officer  
Amy MacKinnon– Education Officer

### Departments

Taufiq Suraidi (Proxy: Salvi Veronika) – International Officer  
William Mudford (Proxy: Ray Yoshida) – Environment Officer  
Beth Ritchies – Women’s Officer  
Ben Gill (Proxie: John Casey) – Queer\* Officer

### General Representatives

Eric Chan  
Vincci Lee  
Jess Bolton  
Milly Cooper  
Michael Harrison  
Lucy McFarlane  
Kiarie Ndegwa  
Sam Duncan  
Mark Jehne  
Shane Paderanga

### College Representatives

Charlie Carroll- CBE  
Jennifer Darmody -CBE  
Caroline Skinner- CECS  
Andrew Welch - CECS  
Laura Wey –Science  
Zaiga Thommon – Science  
Nick Horton –CAP

### Ordinary Members

Cameron Wilson  
Annika Humphries  
Nick Barry  
Ellen Trevanion  
Henry Ladd  
Dan Trevanion  
Ben Lathem  
Fergus Hunter  
Karan Dhamija  
Benjamin Schultz  
Josh Bolitho

## Item 1: Meeting Officially Opens and Apologies

Meeting Opens: 5:38pm

### 1.1 Acknowledgement of Country

The General Secretary acknowledged the traditional owners of the land.

### 1.2 Apologies

Apologies received from Shan Verne Liew, Mel McLeod, Antonija Kurbalija, Stacey Little, and William Mudford.

## Item 2: Minutes from the Previous Meeting including Matters Arising

**MOTION:** That the minutes from SRC 7 2013 be accepted.

Moved: Charlie Carrol

Seconded: Michael Harrison

**Motion: Passed**

## Item 3: Elections

### 3.1 Returning Officer

- Returning Officer: Georgia Plummer
- Deputy Returning Officer: Vincci Lee

### 3.2 Election of ANUSA 2014 Social Officer

Three Candidates:

- Henry Ladd
- Dan Trevanion
- Shane Paderanga

Henry Ladd was successfully elected as ANUSA's 2014 Social Officer.

## Item 4: Reports

### 4.1 Executive Reports

#### 4.1.1 Presidents' Report (A.Sladojevic)

Since lase SRC has been working on:

- ANUSA Annual Report
- ANUSA Survey
- Hiring a new bookkeeper
- ANUSA App
- Handover
- Formally thanked Eleanor, who keeps ANUSA together.
- Thanked various members of the 2013 ANUSA Team.
- Special mention to Shan Verne Liew, for his hard work, amazing moral compass and patience through out his term.

Cameron Wilson: Thanked Aleks for her passion, dedication and hard work through out her time as ANUSA President.

#### 4.1.2 Vice-President's Report (T.Vaughan)

Since lase SRC has been working on:

- BKSS renovations
- O-Week Plans with the University.

*Chair passed to Tasman Vaughan*

#### 3.1.4 General Secretary's Report (S. Stanley)

- Inspired by all the work everyone has put in
- Appreciated everyone's work and support

*Chair returned to Sophia Stanley*

#### 3.1.5 Social Officer's Report (O.Clark)

Thanked various members of the 2013 ANUSA Team, in particular Tasman Vaughan.

#### 3.1.6 Education Officer's Report (A. Mackinnon)

Thanked the ANUSA Executive and ANUSA Team.

Aleks Sladojevic: Thanked Amy for the Mental Health Guide, the amazing Politics in the Pub Event and standing her ground with CASS.

### **3.2 Department Reports**

#### 3.2.1 International Students' Department Report (Proxie: Salvi Veronika) [Reference D]

- Noted that a challenge for ANUSA 2014 ISD will be to try and reach out more to the Chinese community.

Aleks Sladojevic: Thanked Taufiq for his proactive and hard work in reaching out to so many International Students this year. Highlighted ISD's achievements and how far they have come. Finally, Thanked Taufiq for his friendship and support.

Vincci Lee: Thanked ISD for their work.

Sam Duncan: Thanked ISD for their strong impact and presence in UniLodge.

**MOTION:** That the International Students' Department Report be accepted.

Moved: Aleks Sladojevic

Seconded: Caroline Skinner

**Motion: Passed**

#### 3.2.2 Environment Officers Report (Proxie: R. Yoshida)

#### 3.2.3 Disabilities Officers Report (L. Stockton)

Tasman Vaughan, Olivia Clark, Benjamin Schultz and Nick Horton: Thanked Louise for her dedication, willingness to give assist. Reiterated how difficult the role of Disabilities Officer is yet how well Louise managed the role.

**MOTION:** That the Disabilities Department Report be accepted.

Moved: Olivia Clark

Seconded: Nick Horton

**Motion: Passed**

#### 3.2.4 Queer\* Officers Report (J. Casey)

Gave an update on Marriage Equality in the ACT. Highlighted that while there has been a significant development in the ACT, that this legislation still excludes some in the Queer\* community., especially those who do not identify as a specific sex.

Developed a solid core who are passionate. Keen to start developing further next year.

### 3.2 General Representative Reports

#### 4.4.1 Eric Chan's Report [Reference F]

Aleks Sladojevic, Tasman Vaughan and Nick: Thanked Eric for all his support and amazing hard work throughout the year.

**MOTION:** That Eric Chan's Report be accepted.

Moved: Michael Harrison

Seconded: Shane Paderanga

**Motion: Passed**

#### 4.4.2 Vincci Lee's Report [Reference G]

Aleks Sladojevic and Tasman Vaughan: Thanked Vincci for her dedication to her role as General Representative. Vincci is the ideal model of a General Representative. If all 14 General Representatives were like Vincci real change in the ANU could happen.

**MOTION:** That Vincci Lee's Report be accepted.

Moved: Aleks Sladojevic

Seconded: Andrew Welch

**Motion: Passed**

#### 4.4.3 Shane Paderanga [Reference G]

**MOTION:** That Shane Paderanga's Report be accepted.

Moved: Nick Horton

Seconded: Zaiga Thommon

**Motion: Passed**

### Item 4: Date of next meeting and close

The next meeting of the Student Representative Council will be in 2014. Appropriate notice will be given.

**Meeting Closed:** 8:02pm

## Reference A

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## INTERNATIONAL OFFICER REPORT

Taufiq bin Suraidi

### Acknowledgements

The ANUSA International Officer, Muhammad Taufiq bin Suraidi and the ISD Committee of 2013 (attached below) set out in 2013 to "**Refresh, Revive and Reconnect**" the ISD as the **peak representative and advocacy body** for all international students in ANU.

The successes, gains and achievements of 2013 would not be possible without the selfless help of many students but special mention must be made to the 2013 President and Vice-President of ANUSA - Aleksandra Sladojevic and Tasman Vaughan.

The 2013 ANUSA International Officer and President of the ISD had the privilege to attend many University Committee Meetings with them. In each of these meetings, the ISD has always been impressed by how hard they fought for students' interests including the international students' interests. Through their leadership and advocacy in 2013, international students, the ISD and the ANUSA International Officer is confident that our interests are adequately protected.

In reviving our outreach to international students in 2013 and in refreshing our image and reputation as the peak representative and advocacy body for all international students, the 2013 ANUSA President and Vice-President have been ever so supportive, through assisting us with the fundings and equipments. They attended our events, interacted with international students and are always willing to listen to our needs.

In 2013, for the first time in many years, the ANUSA President and Vice-President reached out to us international students, treated us as equals, with respect and dignity. In 2013, we are one family of students. So, on behalf of the international students our office represent, we are grateful to both of you, Aleksandra Sladojevic and Tasman Vaughan and always remember that we international students will never forget.

### **ISD Committee 2013**

S/N	Name	Rank
1	Muhammad Taufiq bin Suraidi	President
2	ThiangHui Min	Executive Vice-President
3	Pang-EeTeh	Treasurer
4	SelseliaVeronika	Secretary
5	Ahmed Hamdhan	Vice-President (Advocacy and Welfare)

6	Satomi Sword	Vice-President (Liaison)
7	Siman Ismail	Vice-President (Events)
8	Bharat Nichani	Vice-President (Publications)
9	HuanZheng	Advocacy and Welfare Officer
10	ZynaDidi	Advocacy and Welfare Officer
11	Daw Win Prue	Advocacy and Welfare Officer
12	Amy Zhang	Advocacy and Welfare Officer
13	Sarah Mohan	Advocacy and Welfare Officer
14	Marian Lau	Publications Officer
15	Yuwei Chan	Publications Officer
16	DyanPutri	Publications Officer
17	Aslam And Jalil	Liaison Officer
18	AkhmadRamadhan Fatah	Events Officer
19	Shaneel Parikh	Events Officer
20	AndaleebAkhand	Liaison Officer

### Activities in Term 2 of Semester 2 (2013)

#### International Students Valedictorian Dinner

This event is hosted to officially recognise the role played by National Clubs and Societies for giving international students a home away from home. Unlike the Clubs and Societies Awards Night, this event give special recognition to National Clubs and Societies (NCS) only. The NCS plays a crucial role in international students' lives in ANU by combating home-sickness, giving them a soft-landing when they first arrive here and also they increase the cultural awareness and diversity in the ANU Community.

#### **Statistics:**

Number of people in attendance	106 people
Expenditure	\$6,768.85
Number of National Clubs and Societies in Attendance	28 National Clubs and Societies
	1. SSA

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. HKSS</li> <li>3. Afghan Student Association</li> <li>4. TSA</li> <li>5. PSA</li> <li>6. BRASA</li> <li>7. Eurasian Society</li> <li>8. French Collective</li> <li>9. German Society</li> <li>10. Japan Club</li> <li>11. MSO</li> <li>12. Bangladeshi Student Assoc</li> <li>13. Pacifika Society</li> <li>14. ANUTA</li> <li>15. ASEAN</li> <li>16. ASIAA</li> <li>17. Spain</li> <li>18. EKTA</li> <li>19. PPIA</li> <li>20. Nepali</li> <li>21. iDiscount</li> <li>22. Latin</li> <li>23. KSA</li> <li>24. Filipino</li> <li>25. MySupport</li> <li>26. NZ</li> <li>27. African</li> <li>28. Vietnamese</li> </ol>
VIP in attendance:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Professor Ian Young (VC)</li> <li>2. Professor Margaret Harding (DVC)</li> <li>3. Paul Preston (SET)</li> <li>4. ANUSA 2013 VP</li> <li>5. ANUSA 2014 President</li> <li>6. ISD President 2014</li> <li>7. PARSA President</li> <li>8. 2 Deputy Heads of Hall (Ursula and Toad Hall)</li> <li>9. Fenner Head of Hall</li> <li>10. Bruce Head of Hall</li> <li>11. Johns XXIII Principal</li> <li>12. Director of RCC</li> </ol>

### Brian Appreciation Day and Brian Appreciation Party

A lot of students use the Unisafe Bus whenever they stay late on campus. This service is crucial in ensuring the safety and security of many students on campus. It is also a service which a lot of international students use. As such, as a final salvo, the ISD along with ANUSA hosted the Brian Appreciation BBQ and the Brian Surprise Party.

Expected expenses: \$1,200/-

### Prospective Financial Overview till end of Semester 2/2013

	Note	2013 \$
<b>Revenue</b>		
ANUSA Funding Receipt		14846.00
GAC Funding Receipt		*1847.50
Pro-Vice Chancellor Funding Receipt		1,026.25
SEEF Funding Receipt	2	*10,000.00
PARSA Funding Receipt		1,000.00
Reconciliation		1.62
Interest Receipts		0.40
<b>Total Revenue</b>		28,721.77

### Expenditure

International Students' Welcome Evening expenses	5,774.99
International Games Day expenses	709.07
Issues and Problem Identification expenses	135.69
Weekly Drop-In Session expenses	45.84
Business Cards expenses	315.00
Fortnightly Networking Sessions expenses	870.15
Residential Halls Visit expenses	77.72
ISD Logo Design Competition expenses	405.93
Harlem Shake expenses	271.08
Human Rights Committee expenses	71.71
ANUSA Collectives' Campaign Day expenses	555.04
SMUSA Delegation Dinner expenses	191.84
ISD New Logo Unveiling Ceremony expenses	533.95
ISD Strategies Planning Day expenses	65.67
Leadership Bazaar expenses	20.00
ISD Agendas & Reports Printing expenses	465.12



International Students' Welcome Evening expenses (sem 2)		5,739.38
ISD Discretionary Funding		700.00
ISD Come! Share Your Expertise expenses		221.71
Connect@ISD expenses		514.90
General expenses		801.90
ISD Presidential Debate expenses		444.09
ISD Valedictorian Dinner expenses		6,768.85
Brian's Kenyon Appreciation expenses	3	*1,200.00
ISD Students' Integration Program	4	*1026.25
Total Expenditure	5	<u>*27,925.88</u>
Net gains available to members	6	<u><u>*795.89</u></u>

\*see below for more details

#### Note

Items listed in the notes are subject to estimation due to relative reason explained below.

1. SEEF funding that are still pending which amount to \$2,500 and can further break down into:
  - a. International Students' Welcome Evening (Semester 2) - \$1,250
  - b. ISD Valedictorian Dinner - \$1,250
2. Brian Kenyon Appreciation Barbeque and Surprise Party that going to happen on 17 October 2013 and 24 October 2013. This amount is based on the budget hence might subject to changes.
3. ISD Students' Integration Program (SIP) is still carrying on till week 12 of Semester 2/2013, hence this expenses is based on the total funding from Pro-Vice Chancellor Office (\$1,026.25), which solely for the purposes of SIP.
4. Due to the uncertainties listed in 1-4, the total expenditure is subject to changes as well.
5. This amount is the net gains solely for the financial year 2013. The ISD for the year 2012 handed down a total amount of \$4,042.95. Hence, the total expected cash at bank by the end of year 2013 would be

**\$4,848.84**(\$4,042.95+\$795.89). This amount will subject to change due to estimations and assumptions listed above.

## **Meetings and Advocacy**

### **ANU Mental Health Working Group**

The final report for the ANU Mental Health Working Group has been drafted and approved by the Student Experience Committee.

Special mention must be given to 2013 ANUSA President - Aleksandra Sladojevic - for her excellent leadership in guiding the working group this year. The Mental Health Framework, Strategy and Operational Plan will definitely be of great benefit to a lot of students.

The ISD pushed strongly for the Framework, Strategy and Operational Plan to recognise diversity in the ANU Community which they did.

### **Student Experience Committee (SEC)**

The last was held on Friday 18 October 2013. The ANU Mental Health Working Group final report was discussed and approved.

The Committee discussed and approved the proposal by Professor Richard Baker to explore an internship program for students where the University will recognise relevant internships students engage in.

PARSA brought up a need to explore further accommodation issues for international students, in particular post-graduates who seek to acquire properties in ACT to stay in during their degree here.

ISD called for stronger attention to be directed towards empowering the DRCC to provide stronger legal support for off-campus ANU students.

### **Laurus Wing (Ursula Hall) End of Year Dinner**

The ANUSA International Officer/ISD President was invited to attend the Laurus Wing end of year dinner on 18 October 2013 at the University House.

ISD is impressed by their strong sense of community and is confident that international students are safe under the guardianship of Areti (Toad Hall Deputy Head of Hall), Rowena (Ursula Hall Deputy Head of Hall and Dr Ian Walker (Toad and Ursula Hall Head of Hall).

### **2014 ISD Executive Committee Election**

From 14 October 2013 till 17 October 2013, from 9am to 5pm, the ANUSA General Secretary and the ANUSA International Officer stayed in the ANUSA office as international undergraduate students came to vote for the 2014 ISD Executive Committee.

A total of 332 international undergraduate students voted and 16 candidates ran for the position.

The candidates are:

1. Sanjay Roop Essrani

2. Mengzhuo Lu
3. Robert Li
4. Wendy Evelyn Yundi Huang
5. Pauline Lim Wenjun
6. Musau Kilonzo
7. Woo Chi Chung
8. Michael Philip De Souza
9. Muhammad Danyal
10. Ronghao Xu
11. Snigdhanil Barua
12. Seulgi Edward HAN
13. Hailee Woo
14. Pedro Henrique Mudin Tana
15. Neang Neath Lim
16. DingQiao Low

The 2014 Executive Committee are:

- 1) Suzy Nopamornbodee (ISD President 2014);
- 2) Low Ding Qiao (ISD Executive VP 2014);
- 3) Neang Neath Lim (Secretary for ISD 2014);
- 4) Michael Philip De Souza (Treasurer of ISD 2014);
- 5) Musau Kilonzo (VP Advocacy and Welfare 2014);
- 6) Robert Li (VP Liaison 2014);
- 7) Sanjay Roop Essrani (VP Events 2014); and
- 8) Snigdhanil Barua (VP Publications 2014).

We wish them all the best and we thank Sophia Stanley for helping with the elections.

## Reference B

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### WOMEN'S OFFICER REPORT

Beth Ritchie

#### The Pledge Campaign

In our final campaign for 2013, the Department re-launched The Pledge campaign. This year, in an attempt to get a better sense of what safety means to students on campus, a short survey was included in the campaign. The results of this are still pending, and will be presented to the UniSafe committee once they are made final. The campaign also included a Universal Lunch Hour, and an official evening launch. Pledge banners were distributed to the majority of residential halls and colleges who signed up.

The Department looks forward to working with the UniSafe Committee and ANUSA to continue to build on this annual campaign in 2014.

#### Queery with the Queer\* Department

Other events include an upcoming 'Queery' with the Queer\* Department, discussing the issues facing trans students, and how student organisations can ensure they are safe and respectful spaces for students of varying gender identities. The Women's Collective have discussed the issues surrounding being a 'gendered' Department, and how to make the space more inclusive and accessible for trans women, throughout the year. **The Queery will be held in**

**the Brian Kenyon Student Space from 5.30pm on October 31<sup>st</sup>, and will host Peter Hyndal – director of A Gender Agenda**

## **Expenditure**

### Pledge Campaign

- Catering, alcohol, alcohol permit and running costs of launch
  - \$163.20
  - \$231.80
  - \$40
  - \$9
- Universal Lunch Hour
  - Catering covered by ANUSA
  - Markers etc for signing of Pledge \$13.85
- Posters and promotional material
  - \$230 – t shirts and banners
  - \$140 – posters (conta quote provided in previous report)
  - \$40 – postcards
  - \$30 – facebook promotion
  - Banners for colleges
    - Additional \$16.74
- Rapunzel Room
  - \$5.20 – milk

## **Reference C**

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### **DISABILITES OFFICER REPORT**

Louise Stockton

- The CARD group has finished up for the semester. The group contributed to compilation of research around self directed disability care for the NDIS/Disabilitycare.
- Elections for the officer role will be held on November 1st by a simple majority. Advertising has gone out through the DSC mailing list.
- Casual coffee and meetings are running weekly.
- We have been asked to hold a stall at the National Museum of

Australia for the International Day of Disability in November. There we can talk about supports available at university.

- We will be helping out with an upcoming fundraiser for an ANU field trip to Samoa. Broadly, they will be showing a film that combines themes of disability and Asia Pacific culture. Further details will be made available via Facebook and other mediums.

**GENERAL REPRESENTATIVE REPORT**

Vincci Lee

➤ ***Mental Health***

- Organised the Mental Health Universal Lunch Hour (26<sup>th</sup> Sept/2<sup>nd</sup> Oct)

➤ ***Interhall International Rep network***

- Attended the ISD Valate Dinner
- Met Mr Luce Andrews and all the heads of halls except Burgmann
- Ursula expressed its strong interest in the project
- Meeting the ISD President 2014 – Suzy and Vice-President (Advocacy) Musau on Wednesday afternoon
- Agreement with Prof. Baker: Project continues until June 2014

➤ ***Thank you Note***

- Thank you to all the ANUSA elect representatives whom I worked with in 2013! The exec: Aleks, Tas, Sophia, Shan, Amy and Liv  
Special mention: Nick, Eric, Shane, Ruohan, Caroline, Kellie :)  
All the best to everyone in exams and 2014! Will miss you all :D

## Reference E

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### GENERAL REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Eric Chan

#### Clubs and Societies Awards Night

- Poster Wall idea
- Decision Penal on which C/S is winning the awards and running up
- Ticket Sale: help to deal with different C/S to try to swap people around so they can sit with whoever they want to sit with

#### Shut up and eat #2

- Unfortunately, it ended up only four people came to this fun event: Amy, Sophia, Nick and I
- I have put the event at such a bad time so the low turnout is not unexpected.
- Nonetheless, that was a nice little gathering



### Mental Health Day

- Balloon
- Giving out business card
- Had fun with alpaca

### Brian Appreciation Day

- I overestimated my ability to design a banner which fulfill ISD needs, sorry for disappointing ISD on this
- Student Space managers are at fault in regards to the double booking made, I apologise for all the inconvenience I created to ISD

### Attended and helped C/S events including a lot of AGMs

- AFEC AGM
- MSO AGM
- HKSS AGM, and so on
- AIESEC leadership conference, HKSS Carnival
- Intending to attend more AGMs

### Reference F

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## GENERAL REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

Shane Paderanga

Sorry for my recent hiatus from SRCs and CRCs! The past few council meetings unfortunately occurred at the same time and date as some of my exams.

I've been assisting several clubs and societies with their events, both big and small, on behalf of ANUSA, trying to help maintain ANUSA's presence on campus.

For example, I joined the South-East Asian Cultural Festival's organising committee as an ANUSA rep to help facilitate club cooperation, although the ASEAN society was already doing a great job. On the day of the event, it turned out that whoever was supposed to be in charge of sound never showed up, so they ended up having to rely on me to operate the sound board. Thank you so much Tas for the brief yet obviously helpful intro course to working a sound board during the Night Around the World Festival. It seriously saved an entire event from losing its only source of entertainment, which would have been terrible as around 15 national clubs and societies collaborated on it and ambassadors from several countries were attending and had pretty high expectations coming to the event. The event was amazingly well attended, despite the fact that it was on a Saturday, was filled with food and had great performances.

I also helped SSA, ASEAN and ANUTA prepare for the big cookout, which involved at least 4 hours of cutting chicken and an entire day of preparation. As you all know, it was an awesome event, so many people came and had fun. Thanks to everyone who organised that event.

I can't believe this is the last SRC of 2013! It's been quite an amazing year with all of you, and I've learnt a lot from the experiences I've had with ANUSA. Thank you everyone for your hard work and for helping me grow over the year.